

# **COLORADO METHAMPHETAMINE TASK FORCE**

**Meeting February 5, 2010**

**10:00 am – 1:00 pm**

**Colorado Municipal League**

**1144 Sherman St., Denver, CO**

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**Chair** – Attorney General John Suthers

## **Vice –Chairs:**

- *Treatment* – Janet Wood, Director, Division of Behavioral Health, CDHS
- *Prevention* – José Esquibel, Director, Interagency Prevention Systems, CDPHE
- *Law Enforcement* – Lori Moriarty, Retired Commander, Thornton Police, Department, North Metro Drug Task Force

## **Task Force Members Present:**

Attorney General John Suthers; Janet Wood; José Esquibel; Lori Moriarty; Debra Campeau; Jade Thomas; Greg Daniels; Wayne Maxwell; Leslie Herod, Carmelita Muniz; Dan Rubinstein; Kathryn Wells; Shane Bahr (for Tom Quinn), Stan Hilkey ; Jerry Garner; Janelle Kruger;

## **Guests:**

Yvonne Keller-Guenter; Bill Betts; Dennis Dahlke; Colleen Brisnehan; Charles Davis; Curriel Duffy; Ernest Martinez; Jerry Peters; Julia Roguski; William Nagle; Kent MacLennan; Christine Agosta; Kris Ward; Samantha Gurrentz; Brett Kessler; Derek Blake; Peter Riley; Dana Johnson

## **Introductions:**

Chair Attorney General John Suthers.

## **Review and Approval of minutes:**

The minutes from November 20, 2009, were approved by motion and acclamation.

## **Strategic Planning**

Yvonne Keller-Guenter and Bill Betts of the University of Denver facilitated the State Methamphetamine Task Force Strategic planning Session. Details of the results of the planning session are documented in the attached Excel file.

In summary the agreed upon priority areas for the task force are:

- Providing support and technical assistance to local communities
- - More definition is needed to determine what is meant by technical assistance; a task group or is needed to flush this out more.
  - Involvement from Colorado Counties, Inc., and the Municipal League is seen as important.
  - Colorado Alliance for Drug Endangered Children will take the lead with several other Task Force members.
- State meth Task Force Data dashboard.
  - There is a Data Committee and the dashboard template is developed. Data from several sources needs to be entered. Some funds are needed to assist with this work.
- Best practices and having information available on a website

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- Ned to continue to collect best-practice strategies and programs being utilized in Colorado
- Disproportionately affected populations
  - There is a State Meth Action Team that is taking the lead on this priority.
- Issues related to prescription drugs
  - This is new, emerging issue. It was determined that additional information will assist the State Meth Task Force, in particular a presentation on the topic for the May Task Force meeting.
  - Dan Rubenstein is willing to take the lead in pulling together a committee
- Environmental issues
  - José Esquibel will follow-up with Collen Brisnehan of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment on specific priority items related to environmental issues.

Other areas discussed included:

- Regular updates on the medical marijuana issues
- Addressing Common Messaging/branding
- Disparities and drug use among adolescents
- Review of model state drug laws

See the attached Excel file for details on each priority area, next steps, what's needed and who is responsible.

### **Meetings Dates for 2010:**

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month: Aug. 6th; and Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am – 1:00pm, Colorado Municipal League

**Next meeting:** Friday, August 6, 2010, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Colorado Municipal League, 1144 Sherman St, Denver.